

Existing Home Point Details

#1 Duct Reqmt.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 6 POINTS FOR CHANGING OUT THE DUCT SYSTEM WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 ("If the mechanical system ducts are rigid – inspect for mastic sealing. If the mechanical system ducts are flex – also inspect that they are rigidly secured with straight runs, and no more than a 45 degree bend, except at registers
#2 Chase Reqmt.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 3 POINTS FOR SEALING AND INSULATING AN EXISTING CHASE WHEN UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14. IF THE HOME HAS NO CHASE, OR IF THE EXISTING CHASE IS ALREADY SEALED AND INSULATED, THE HOMEOWNER WILL RECEIVE NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY.
#3 Knee Wall Reqmt.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 6 POINTS FOR INSULATING ALL EXISTING KNEE WALLS WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 If the home has any knee wall construction that uses a dry blown insulation material – inspect that some type of retaining sheathing to hold the insulation in place has been installed. IF THE HOME HAS NO KNEE WALLS, OR IF THE EXISTING KNEE WALLS ALREADY MEET THIS REQUIREMENT, THE HOMEOWNER WILL RECEIVE NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY.
#4 Fire Place Opening Reqmt.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 3 POINTS FOR SEALING AND INSULATING THE CHIMNEY OPENING IN THE ATTIC WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 IF THE EXISTING HOME'S FIREPLACE OPENING ALREADY MEETS THIS REQUIREMENT, OR IS OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE, THE HOMEOWNER CAN RECEIVE NO UPGRADE POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY.
#5 Recessed Light Reqmt.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 3 POINTS FOR MAKING ALL OF THE EXISTING RECESSED LIGHTS AIR TIGHT WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 IF THE EXISTING HOME HAS NO RECESSED LIGHTS, OR IF THE RECESSED LIGHTS ARE ALREADY AIRTIGHT, THE HOMEOWNER WILL RECEIVE NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY.
#6 Attic Access Reqmt.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 3 POINTS FOR SEALING AND INSULATING THE ATTIC ACCESS DOOR WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 IF THE EXISTING HOME'S ATTIC ACCESS ALREADY MEETS THIS REQUIREMENT, OR IS OUTSIDE OF THE ENVELOPE, THE HOMEOWNER WILL RECEIVE NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY.
#7 Added Attic Insul.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 2 POINTS FOR EVERY R5 INCREASE IN THE ATTIC INSULATION (TO A MIN. R30) WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 IF THE EXISTING HOME ALREADY HAS AN R30 VALUE OR BETTER IN THE ATTIC, THE HOMEOWNER WILL RECEIVE NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY
#8 Added Wall Insul.	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 2 POINTS FOR EVERY R5 INCREASE IN THE WALL INSULATION (TO A MIN. R19) WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 IF THE EXISTING HOME ALREADY HAS AN R19 VALUE IN THE WALLS, THE HOMEOWNER WILL RECEIVE NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY
#9 Gas Heat Effic. Incr. or HP	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 4 UPGRADE POINTS FOR UPGRADING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE HEATING SYSTEM TO AT LEAST A HIGHER EFFICIENCY HEATING SYSTEM THAN THE REMOVED EQUIPMENT WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14 OR FOR REPLACING A CONVENTIONAL AC SYSTEM WITH A HEAT PUMP. SIMPLY REPLACING THE EXISTING HEATING SYSTEM WITHOUT AN EFFICIENCY INCREASE WILL ENTITLE THE HOMEOWNER NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY.
#10 HWH Effic. Increase	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 3 POINTS FOR UPGRADING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE WATER HEATER TO AT LEAST A HIGHER EFFICIENCY WATER HEATER THAN THE REMOVED WATER HEATER WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14. SIMPLY REPLACING THE EXISTING HOT WATER HEATER WITHOUT AN EFFICIENCY INCREASE WILL ENTITLE THE HOMEOWNER TO NO POINT IN THIS CATEGORY.
#11 Window Upgrade	THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE 2 POINTS FOR EVERY 3 WINDOWS THAT ARE INSTALLED WITH A HIGHER SHGC THAN THE REPLACED WINDOWS WHILE UPGRADING THE HVAC SYSTEM TO A MINIMUM SEER 14. IF THE REPLACEMENT WINDOWS DO NOT CARRY AN EFFICIENCY INCREASE, THE HOME OWNER WILL RECEIVE NO POINTS IN THIS CATEGORY.